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## **Amendments to the Claims:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

## **Listing of Claims:**

1. (cancelled)

- 2. (currently amended) The article recited in Claim 25 [[1]] wherein said adhesive layer
- forms a strip around said flange outer surface.
- 3. (currently amended) The article recited in Claim 25 [[1]] wherein said adhesive layer

covers said flange outer surface.

4. (currently amended) The article recited in Claim 25 [[1]] wherein said fastener has a

substantially circular cross-section.

5. (withdrawn) The article recited in Claim 1 wherein said fastener has a

hexagonal cross-section.

6. (currently amended) The article recited in Claim 25 [[1]] wherein said outer surface

further comprises at least one ridge.

- 7. (cancelled)
- 8. (cancelled)
- 9. (withdrawn) The article recited in Claim 1 wherein said outer surface further

comprises a knurled portion.

10. (withdrawn) The article recited in Claim 9 wherein said adhesive layer is

located on said knurled portion of said outer surface.

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11. (withdrawn) The article recited in Claim 10 wherein said adhesive layer covers said knurled portion.

12. (currently amended) The article recited in Claim 25 [[1]] wherein said adhesive layer comprises a threadlocking composition.

13. (original) The article recited in Claim 12 wherein said threadlocking composition comprises methacrylate ester.

14. (original) The article recited in Claim 12 wherein said threadlocking composition comprises an epoxy.

15. (currently amended) The article recited in Claim 25 [[1]] wherein a portion of said inner surface is threaded.

16. (cancelled)

17. (cancelled)

18. (currently amended) The article recited in Claim 25 16 wherein said flange comprises a knurled portion.

19. (original) The article recited in Claim 18 wherein said knurled portion of said flange has adhesive thereon.

20. (currently amended) The article recited in Claim 25 [[1]] further comprising a stud.

21. (withdrawn) The article recited in Claim 1 wherein said outer surface comprises

at least one slot.

22. (currently amended) The article recited in Claim 25 [[1]] wherein said adhesive is enclosed in microcapsules.

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23. (currently amended) The article recited in Claim 25 [[1]] wherein said fastener has a closed end.

24. (currently amended) The article recited in Claim 25 [[1]] wherein said fastener has an open end.

25. (previously presented) An article for fastening comprising:

a fastener selected from the group including a rivet nut, a rivet nut stud, a threaded insert, and a blind threaded insert, wherein said fastener has an inner surface, an outer surface, and a flange and at least a portion of a surface of said flange has an adhesive thereon.